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Request for Substitute Papers

The papers filed on 01/18/02 (certificate of mailing dated 12/07/01) are no longer in condition to become part of the permanent records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for this application (37 CFR 1.52(a)) due to the United States Postal Service sanitization process.

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File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application;
executed Combined Declaration and Power of
Attorney; 17 Sheets of Substitute Drawings; and a
check in the amount of \$130.00

Applicant: Rolf Dieter Schraft et al.
Serial No.: 09/965,159
Atty. Docket: SPM-328-B
Date: December 7, 2001
Due Date: December 26, 2001
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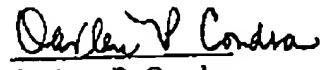
Sir:

Transmitted with this document is a Postcard; Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted; copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application; Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney and 17 sheets of Substitute Drawings in the above-identified application.

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application, please find enclosed the executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney along with a check for \$130.00 for the surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e). Also enclosed is a complete set of (17 sheets) substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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